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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

This is in reply to your letter of April 6, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235. 97 PR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes

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REPLY FOR SIG OF

DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN
NEW YORK
UNITED STATES SENATE

PRB
92-235
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Date: 4/6/93

Respectfully referred to:

FCC

for such consideration as the enclosed
may warrant.

Sincerely,

D. P. Moynihan

Daniel Patrick Moynihan
U.S.S.

Robert B. Blackman
6115 Elm St
Clarence Center
N.Y. 14032

Dear Senator Moynihan

Subject Re: PR DOCKET 92-235

I have recently retired (1991) after 42 years as a tool & die maker. After 47 years I have taken up model airplane building again to keep myself active. As a teenager in 1944-47 I found much interest in this sport. The skills it required helped me become a good tool maker.

Modern model airplane flying has advanced to where most are radio-controlled for safety sake. Now I understand there is proposed change for radio frequencies to be inserted near those ^{now} assigned to model flying, (PR DOCKET 92-235). This change ^{will} ~~could~~ render much of my equipment useless. I get many hours of pleasure from flying and teaching younger children ^{the} ~~the~~ art of building and flying model airplanes.

Models weigh as much as 25 lbs and go nearly 60 M.P.H. so if we get radio interference we lose control of the model with disastrous results. Not only is the model destroyed, but there is the possibility of a person getting hit. I can buy more airplanes, but there is no price tag for injury or possibly a death.

I ask you to please reject this change being proposed for the safety reasons alone. I hope I will still be able

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March 16, 1993

The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Moynihan:

I am not a particularly young man. I am certainly not an old man. I guess I'm just your average Joe Citizen who lives in a single-wide mobile home and drives a school bus for a living. I don't have a lot of money but what I do have to spend for personal recreation I choose to invest in radio controlled model airplanes.

I love flying my models. It gives me such enjoyment I could scarcely describe it to you. I design, draw and scratch build my own planes, spending tens of hours creating a thing of beauty that I am proud to take to the airfield at Kamp airport and fly with my friends.

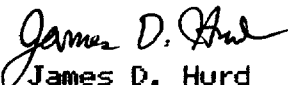
Because I enjoy my sport so much I wish to express my deep concern respecting proposed rules being considered by the FCC (PR Docket 92-235). If adopted, the new rules would greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently allocated for model use. The increased possibility of radio interference caused by the proposed narrower bandwidths would increase the risk of accidents. The attendant liability for such may well make it impractical to continue enjoying the sport I love.

I take great pains to make my aircraft safe. One of the ways I do this is to carefully monitor mine and others' radio equipment to make sure there is no chance of radio interference. If the number of useable frequencies is reduced in effect by these new rules, the remaining 19 of 50 currently used frequencies will become congested and safety will be sacrificed.

I wish to emphasize that some models weigh as much as 40 pounds and have wingspans of 10 feet. It doesn't take much imagination to guess the possible result of lost control of such an aircraft. I would die inside if I ever hurt anyone.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out these proposals for the 72 and 76 MHz band frequencies.

Sincerely,


James D. Hurd

February 5, 1993

Patrick Daniel Mounihan
405 Lexington Ave
New York, NY 10174

Dear Senator Patrick Daniel Mounihan:

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am very active in a local club called The Mid-Hudson Radio Control Society, a club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Richard Daffaro", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Russell Ainbinder
12-7 Pond Way
Manorville N.Y. 11949
(516) 874-8679

Dear Mr. Moynihan

I am disabled and derive a great many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio control model aircraft. Also this was more than a hobby to me when I started it was also a form of rehabilitation for me after my accident.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission. The preceding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of the frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

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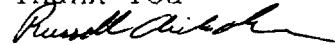
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When we fly our model aircraft under radio control we go to great lengths to ensure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of the safety precautions we take are in the area of careful coordination of the frequencies we use. If the proposed rule changes are adopted the resulting congestion of frequencies will cause the margin of safety to be greatly reduced.

Please understand that many of the aircraft we are talking about have wingspans up to 10 feet, weights approaching 40 pounds and speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour. The point of mentioning this is to say that they are capable of causing serious injuries or death and a great deal of property damage. If an interference problem were to cause the operator to lose control of such an aircraft could be disastrous! We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. The full complement of our frequencies are essential to maintain our safety margin at these events.

Although I understand the need to meet the needs of other areas of the frequency use community, I feel that the implementation of PR-Docket 92-235 and the resulting increase in safety risks are an unwise choice for the FCC to make. If the FCC feels that we are not as important as the other users that this change is intended to help. Please remember the investment that we have made in our radio equipment to keep the level of safety that we as modelers are proud of.

Thank You


Russell S. Ainbinder

March 18, 1993

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Daniel P. Moynihan
203 Guaranty Building
28 Church St.
Buffalo, Ny 14202

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74 Oakwood Avenue
Bayport, NY 11705
March 10, 1993

The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
733 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Senator:

I wish to voice my opposition to the proposed Federal
Communications Commission (FCC) PR Docket 92-235.

NEW YORK OFFICE PHONE CALLS

NAME MR DAQUK

ADDRESS SPrig tree Path
SAG Harbor, NY
11963

PHONE _____

REQUESTS SENATOR MOYNIHAN TO:

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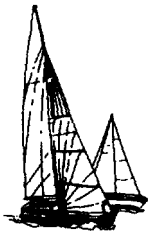
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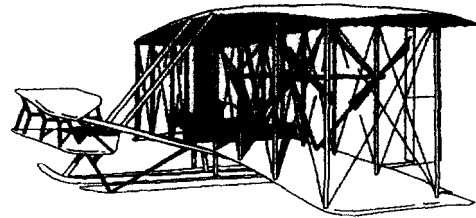
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Date 3/17/93



David Seiffert
2000 Grand Blvd
Schenectady, NY 12309

Phone (518)-377-3936



February 1, 1993

The Honorable Patrick Moynihan
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Moynihan:

I am a Licensed Professional Engineer who has had a life long interest in aircraft. Since my

The Honorable Daniel P. Moyihan

30 January 1993

Dear Mr. Moyihan,

I live on Long Island and have been interested in aviation for as long as I can

FRED M. COLEMAN

architect

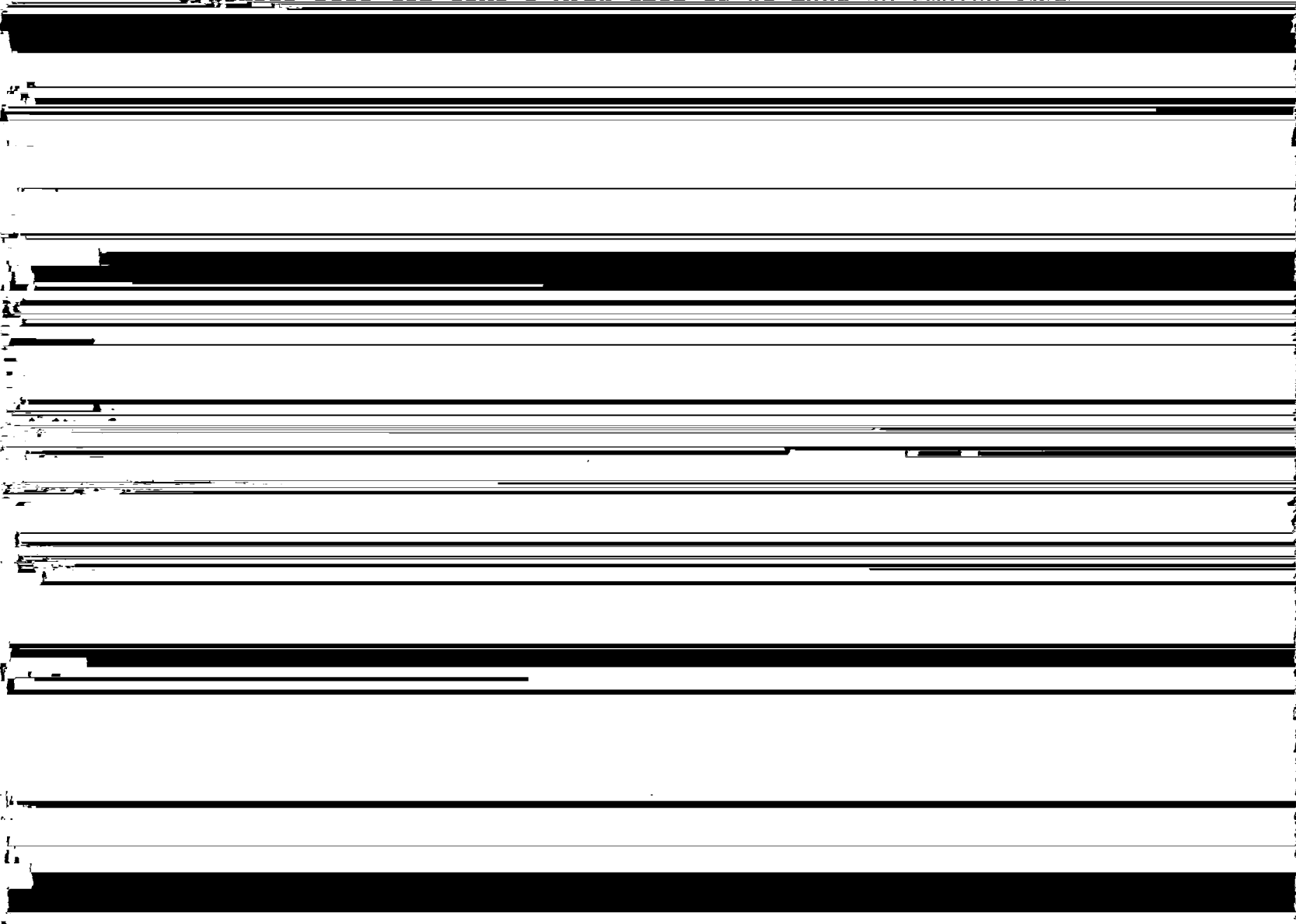
23 PARK CIRCLE
White Plains, New York 10603
(914) 428-5686

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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

February 2 1993

I am writing to object to the proposed rule making on PR
Docket 92-235.

I build and fly miniature aircraft which are radio
controlled. My particular interest is in Giant Scale which are
~~aircraft that can have a wing span of as much as twelve feet~~



February 01, 1993

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Washington, D.C. 20510

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1/28/93

ALBERT BECK
Box 34 AQUEBOLE N.Y.
11931-0034

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Sincerely,

Albert J. Beck

1811 Avenue K
Brooklyn, NY 11230
(718) 338-9759

January 24, 1992

Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Hello Senator Moynihan,

At the end of 1992, the FCC issued a Notice of Proposed Rule Making that deals with the allocation of mobile commercial radio transmission frequencies in a band that is already in great use. The band in question is that which is used by thousands of model airplane pilots across the country. These airplanes are remotely controlled by means of a hand-held radio transmitter that sends signals to a receiver on board the airplane.

The proposed FCC frequency allocations would leave in place those frequencies currently in use by model airplane pilots. However, the proposed mobile commercial frequencies would be placed within very close proximity to the already existing frequencies. Please allow me to explain the danger inherent in this proposal.

Model airplane transmitters are of relatively low power while the commercial radios that would fill the new frequencies are of much higher power. Given that these commercial radios would be mobile in nature, the possibility would exist of them being brought within interference range of a model airplane.


When deprived of secure radio communications, a model airplane becomes a dangerous weapon. Even a small airplane, perhaps weighing 5 pounds, traveling at 80 miles per hour could inflict serious harm on person and property. The proposed FCC allocations would transform a safe, enjoyable sport into a potential disaster.

A great many people from all walks of life would be adversely affected by this ruling. Young children, retirees and everyone in between participate in the sport of model airplane flying. It would be a tremendous shame to reduce the safety of this enjoyable activity.

We ask you and your colleagues to defeat FCC NPRM PR Docket 92-235. There is plenty of room for commercial radios without having to encroach on the leisure activities of so many American citizens.

Thank you very much for your time and concern.

Sincerely,



Mark Balch

HONORABLE SENATOR
DANIEL P. MOYNIHAN
SENATE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

FEB. 1ST 1993

RE: A VOTE AGAINST F.C.C. RULE CHANGE IN
P.R. DOCKET 92-235 IE: PART 88 REPLACING 90

DEAR SENATOR:

IN 1988 THE F.C.C. ASSIGNED THE RADIO CONTROL (R/C)
HOBBIST 50 CHANNELS IN THE 72 MHZ. BAND AND IT HAS
TAKEN THE PAST 5 YRS. TO ATTAIN A SAFE AND ENJOY-
ABLE ENVIRONMENT. WE BELONG NATIONWIDE TO THE A.M.A.
(ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS) TO SAFELY CONFORM
TO F.C.C. REGULATIONS.

THE MANUFACTURERS, RETAILERS AND HOBBIST INVEST THEIR
LIVES AND MONEY INTO MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO FULFILL
ACTIVE LIVES OF CITIZENS FROM AGE 5 TO 95. AS A
SENIOR FLYER OF 25 YRS. OF ACTIVE AND INSTRUCTIONAL
PILOTING I CAN SAY MY LIFE HAS BEEN ENJOYABLE
AND REWARDING. THERE IS NO GENERATIONAL GAP.

TO ADOPT THE ABOVE RULING WOULD BE TOTAL DISASTER.

~~THE ABOVE RULING WOULD BE A DISASTER AND~~

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE CARRIED ON THESE FEELINGS
WITH THE CHALLENGERS AND DISCIPLINE WE PLACE
UPON THEM.

WE IN THE PAST BECAME PIONEERS, WARRIORS AND
PEACE KEEPERS IN GREATER NUMBERS THAN ONE
CAN IMAGINE AND WE URGE YOU TO JOIN WITH US TO
STOP THESE CHANGES.

SINCERELY,

Robert J. Wirth

143 William St.

MERRICK, N.Y. 11566

February 1., 1993

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U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Sincerely,



David A. Eamer
R.R. 1 Box 266
Hannibal, N.Y. 13074

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84 West Willow Street
Beacon, N.Y. 12508
February 8, 1993

The Honorable Daniel Patrick Moynihan
214 Main Street
Oneonta, N.Y. 13820

Dear Senator Moynihan:

I am writing in regard to a recent proposal submitted by the

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The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
733 Third Ave.
New York, N.Y. 10017

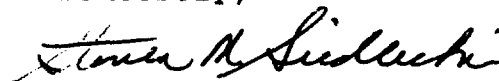
Dear Senator Moynihan,

I am a 23yr old father of two, who enjoys many hours

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Steven M. Siedlecki".

Steven M. Siedlecki